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Mr. Allen Alter Site Assessment Section US EPA Region V 230 S. Dearborn Chicago, IL 60604



Dear Mr. Alter:

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency has recently reviewed the draft CERCLA Screening Site Inspection reports for the sites listed below, and is happy to provide the following comments.

AMCA International - 051069854

The Agency has reviewed this document and finds no readily apparent deficiencies in the sampling procedures employed by the inspection team, the narrative content of the report, the preliminary and projected hazard ranking score package, or the contractors site status recommendation.

Ethyl Petroleum Additives - 055871370

The Agency has reviewed this document and finds no readily apparent deficiencies in the sampling procedures employed by the inspection team, the narrative content of the report, the preliminary and projected hazard ranking scoring package, or the contractors site status recommendation.

Rhodes Landfill - 980901557

The Agency has reviewed this document, and finds no readily apparent deficiencies in the sampling procedures employed by the inspection team, the narrative content of the report, the preliminary and projected scoring packages, or the contractors site status recommendation.

We would suggest, however that any additional site assessment activity at this facility include a thorough analysis of the sites impact on Lake Torkorozawa, which border the property to the west.

Hooker Chemical Company - 057739773

The Agency has reviewed this document and finds no readily apparent deficiencies in the sampling procedures employed by the inspection team, the narrative content of the report, the preliminary and projected hazard ranking score package, or the contractors site status recommendation.

We would suggest, however, that any additional site assessment activities at this facility include a thorough analysis of the sites impact on the Illinois River.

Roadway Trucking - 980677843

The Agency has reviewed this document and finds no readily apparent deficiencies in the narrative content of the report, the preliminary and projected hazard ranking score package, or the contractors site status recommendation.

However, we will continue to suggest that in area of suspected volatile compound contamination, that the contractor collect their surface soil samples at a depth of 18" to 24". This procedure would not only allow for the documentation of potential soil exposure problems, but would also maximize the liklihood of defecting these substances.

Lake Salvage - 076875285

The Agency has reviewed this document and finds no readily apparent deficiencies in the sampling procedures employed by the inspection team or the narrative content of the report.

We would suggest, however, that because the potential threat to nearby populations, the U.S. EPA consider initiating a superfund removal action at this site, which may include the disposal of drummed ash and the construction of a new security fence. We would also recommend that this site receive high priority status, and that it be task for a listing inspection at the earliest possible time.

We would like to thank you for providing us the opportunity to comment on the contents of these reports. Should you have any questions concerning this correspondence, please feel free to contact me at the telephone number identified above.

Sincerely,

Thomas Crause

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